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CHRISTMAS SERVICES

WILL BE HELD IN THE CHURCHES TO-MORROW MORNING AND EVENING.

Children's Exercises in the Presbyterian Church in the Morning. Special Music at all Services. Christmas Day Services in Christ Episcopal Church and the Church of the Sacred Heart.

There will be special Christmas services in the Glen Ridge Church to-morrow morning and evening. In the evening there will be a song service with an address by the pastor, Rev. Elliott W. Brown. There will also be a service in the church on Christmas Day at 9 A. M. The musical programs for to-morrow's services will be as follows:

Morning.
Festival March (violin, cello and organ).
Sing O Heavens.
Of the Father's Love Begotten.
Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion.
The Birthday of a King.
Serenade (violin, cello and organ).
Largo (cello and organ).
Break forth into joy.
It came upon a midnight clear.
Come ye Gentles, hear the story.
O thou that tellest (Messianic).
Gloria in Excelsis.
March (cello and organ).

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
Christmas Day services will be held in Christ Episcopal Church as follows: Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8 A. M. Second Celebration with sermon at 10:30 A. M.

The order of service at 10:30 will be as follows:

Processional Hymn, No. 49.
Kyrie.
Gloria.
Credo.
Hymn No. 51.
Offertory Anthem, "There were Shepherds."
Sanctus.
Agnus Dei.
Gloria in Excelsis.
Nunc Dimittis.
Recessional Hymn, No. 40.

Christmas Day, which commemorates the great feast of the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ, the day when the Saviour of Mankind came down from Heaven "for us men and for our salvation," is a day when every Christian man and woman should come to God's house to show forth their thankfulness to Him for the inestimable gift He has given us in the Person of His Son Jesus Christ, and offer to Him their service of praise and thanksgiving.

The Christmas festival of Christ Episcopal Church Sunday-school will be held on Thursday evening, December 28. The Sunday-school will assemble in the parish house and then march to the church, where the festival service, including the singing of carols, the addresses, etc., will take place. The children of the Sunday-school will also at this time present their gifts for the children belonging to a mission school in the diocese. Bishop Lines has requested an offering from each Sunday-school in the diocese to help him build a chapel in one of the diocesan missions, where a church building is very much needed, and the offering at this service will be for that purpose.

At the close of the service the Sunday-school will return to the parish house for the Christmas tree, the distribution of presents, and other festivities. It is intended to introduce some new features into this part of the entertainment, and it is hoped to make it one of the most enjoyable affairs ever held by Christ Episcopal Church. Every member of the parish is cordially invited to attend the festival, and to every child in the parish, whether connected with the Sunday-school or not, a special invitation is extended.

The Christmas Masses in the Church of the Sacred Heart on Christmas Day will be celebrated at 5:30, 8:30 and 10:30 A. M. There will be special music by the choir and the Rev. J. M. Nardello will preach.

The Christmas festival of the Parochial School was held Thursday afternoon in Union Hall.

The Christmas exercises of the Broughton Memorial Sunday-school will be held to-night in the chapel, corner of Bay and Myrtle avenues.

Christmas will have full sway at the Park M. E. Church at both services to-morrow. The pastor, Dr. C. S. Woodruff, will preach at 10:30 on the "Call of the Christian Child to us," and at 7:45 on "The Keynote Sound by the Christ." The chorus choir will render special Christmas music.

The Westminster Presbyterian Church Sunday-school Christmas entertainment took place last night in Farrie Memorial Hall. The Sunday-school children presented a cantata entitled "Santa Claus's Surprise." A Christmas tree laden with presents for the teachers and pupils was a feature of the entertainment.

Exercises appropriate to Christmas will be held in the First Presbyterian Church to-morrow. At the morning service the Rev. George L. Curtis will address the children; and there will be singing and other exercises by the Sunday-school pupils. The church quartette will sing. Special music at morning and evening service.

The service to-morrow morning in the Westminster Presbyterian Church will

be a Christmas service for the Sunday-school. The Rev. Dr. Paul will preach a discourse appropriate to the occasion. The quartette will sing at morning and evening service. In the evening Cary Florio's Christmas cantata "The Night at Bethlehem" will be sung by a triple quartette. Soprano, Miss Wright, solo; Mrs. Teall and Mrs. King; alto, Mrs. Strang, solo; Miss Biggart and Miss Matthews; tenor, Mr. Handell, solo; Mr. Shearer and Mr. Moull; basses, Mr. Dalley, solo; Mr. Biggart and Mr. Rouband; organist, Dr. Clarence O. S. Howe.

There will be special services at the Westside M. E. Church to-morrow. Morning service at 10:30 A. M., special Christmas sermon by the pastor. Music rendered as follows by the choir during the day: "Adeste Fideles," "Silent Night, Holy Night," "Christians Awake," "Arise, Shine Shine, for Thy Light is come." At 7:30 P. M. the Sunday-school will render a Christmas programme. Tuesday night the Sunday-school will render a cantata entitled "Sleepy Santa." The Sunday-school Christmas treat will follow.

Dr. Franklin Walls will speak at Montgomery Chapel to-morrow evening. Christmas music will be sung.

Death of William Baldwin.

William Baldwin of 132 Spruce street, a well-known and life-long resident of this town, died suddenly in a train on the New York and Greenwood Lake Railroad Thursday morning. Mr. Baldwin left home at an early hour Thursday morning to go to his work in New York City in the store of his son-in-law, Chas. E. Williams of Verona. When the train reached Jersey City he felt so unwell that he concluded to go home and got on a return train. By the time the train reached Forest Hill Mr. Baldwin expired. His body was taken to the Walnut street station and the County Physician notified, and later on his body was removed to his home in Spruce street.

Mr. Baldwin was sixty-seven years old. He was the second son of the late Amos Baldwin, and was born in the Baldwin homestead near the corner of Orange street and Bloomfield avenue, and while a youth he was employed in his father's sawing and planing mill in Orange street. He served in the civil war, enlisting in the 28th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers. For several years he was engaged in the express business, and conducted the Bloomfield, Montclair and Newark express.

Mr. Baldwin was a Republican in politics, and took an active part in local political affairs. He was a charter member of Excelsior Lodge, Knights of Honor, and withdrew from that order about three months ago. He was also a member of Excelsior Lodge, Knights of Pythias, the Order of Heptasophs, and Lincoln Post, G. A. R., also of Phoenix Hose Company. He was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Mr. Baldwin is survived by a widow and one daughter, Mrs. Chas. Williams. The funeral will take place at the family residence at 2:45 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. Rev. F. W. Bule of the First Baptist Church will conduct the service, assisted by Rev. Charles A. Cook.

Death of Mrs. Bromley.

Mrs. Rosetta Bromley, widow of William Bromley, died at her home in Bloomfield avenue on Thursday, after a lingering illness. Mrs. Bromley was for many years a member of the Park M. E. Church. The funeral service, which will be private, will take place at her late home to-night, and the interment will take place to-morrow.

Death of John Hackett.

John Hackett, aged 76 years, died at his home, 206 Ashland avenue, Sunday. Mr. Hackett was born in Troy, N. Y. He went to California in his early youth. He was for many years a resident of New York city. He has resided here upwards of ten years. Mr. Hackett was a member of Christ Episcopal Church. He is survived by a widow and two daughters.

King's Daughters Tea.

The Senior Circle of King's Daughters of the Congregational Church gave a tea at the home of Miss Alice Brainerd, 76 Hillside avenue last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Charles Searing and Mrs. E. T. Howe poured chocolate. Miss Helen Johnson, Miss Johnston, Mrs. George Linn, Miss Brainerd and Mrs. Henry Bogart were on the reception committee. There was a programme consisting of vocal solos by Mrs. John W. Knight and a violin solo by John Bennett.

During the month of December in order to demonstrate the value of its service the New York and New Jersey Telephone Company will arrange to give a free trial of telephone exchange service in residences in the Montclair and Bloomfield exchanges. A free trial of extension station service in residences or business places is also offered. Application may be made for this service to District Manager L. C. Hall, 9 Baldwin street, East Orange, N. J.,—Advt.

AN ECHO OF "76."

Report on the 1905 Fourth of July Celebration Made to the Board of Trade by Harry White—A Soldiers Monument Suggested—Steps Taken for Another Public Celebration in 1906.

A report by Harry White, chairman of the Board of Trade's Fourth of July celebration committee, warmed up the members of that organization last week and was accepted with applause. Mr. White said:

"Pursuant to a motion adopted by the Board of Trade, that a committee be appointed to consider the proposition of celebrating July 4th, and that the said committee have power to act, the following named gentlemen were appointed as such committee by the President of the Board: Henry White, Matthew McRoddan, Jesse C. Green, M. N. Higgins, Charles H. Halpin, Harry L. Osborne, Franklin A. Stone, Hugh D. King, A. H. Edgerly, Samuel G. Hayter and George W. Cook.

"In response to a call a meeting of the committee took place at 59 Maple street on June 13th. Six gentlemen were present, Mr. White, Mr. King, Mr. Osborne, Mr. Green, Mr. McRoddan and Mr. Hayter.

"The discussion of the question at first seemed adverse to having a celebration, but as it continued this sentiment disappeared and a feeling of patriotism took a hold of all and it became the unanimous opinion that the town could stand for a good old-fashioned Fourth of July event, and from that time on there was no swerving from the course adopted.

"Captain Samuel G. Hayter was elected secretary and Harry L. Osborne treasurer. The town was divided into districts and about fifty gentlemen were asked to assist in collecting the necessary funds and many of them worked hard to the great advantage of the committee. Other committees were formed as follows: Committee on parade, chairman, Harry White; committee on oratory and music, chairman, Jesse C. Green; committee on sports and grounds, chairman, Hugh D. King; committee on fireworks, chairman, Matthew McRoddan.

"It will be remembered that your committee were handicapped by having but a short time in which to work (only 21 days), and also some consideration had to be given to the fact that our citizens had so recently responded to a call made upon them by the fire department.

"But no obstacle could stop the progress. The movement appealed to the patriotism of our people and its success was soon assured. An old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration at home appealed to all our citizens, and generously did they all respond as you have learned or will learn from the treasurer's report. \$745.30 was contributed and in addition to this there were contributed as prizes to the committee on sports and grounds articles to the value of \$150, every one helping in some way to make the event a notable one.

"The selection of the grounds on Williamson avenue proved an admirable one for the purpose of having the games in the day time and the fireworks at night, and had much to do with the enjoyment of the people, and your committee feel much indebted to the owners of the property who so kindly allowed the use of the same.

"Your committee are indebted to so many for valuable aids rendered that it would be difficult to name them all individually, but whatever success there has been in carrying out the celebration is due to our citizens who are loyal, patriotic and generous. All bills have been paid and there is a balance of \$74.01, which your committee suggests be set aside as a nucleus for a fund for next year looking forward to a celebration for July 4th, 1906, on a grander scale than that of 1905, although we believe everybody enjoyed themselves and that none went away disappointed.

"There is a question whether the time has not now arrived when Bloomfield should erect a monument in commemoration of its valiant sons who laid their lives down upon the altar of their country. Your committee think that a movement in that direction, started by the Board of Trade would be sure of success and the laying of the cornerstone would be a most beautiful and appropriate ceremony to take place on the next Fourth of July. Your committee believes that nothing that the Board of Trade could suggest would meet with heartier sympathy and support by our citizens. While this suggestion is, perhaps, outside the duties of your committee, yet we feel that it is so near to the hearts of our people that we are not transgressing by making the suggestion.

"In conclusion, your committee are unanimous in heartily thanking everybody for their assistance and support which crowned the success of the celebration of 1905, and we predict for the next celebration that very few of our citizens will leave town on that day, as many who did leave town last Fourth of July have expressed their regrets for doing so. HARRY WHITE, Chairman of Committee on Celebration."

NO TRUNK SEWER

If the City of Paterson Can Defeat the Project—Civil Engineers Advise Paterson to Use a Local Disposal Plant—A. H. Olmsted Among the Engineers Whose Advice was Sought.

A joint committee of Paterson city officials and taxpayers gave a hearing on Saturday night of last week to civil engineers from various places on the question of sewerage. The object of the committee was to ascertain whether or not a local disposal method was not preferable to the proposed trunk sewer to the Passaic River valley. Several civil engineers were given a hearing, among them A. H. Olmsted, formerly town engineer here, but now of Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Olmsted came north in response to a telegram from the committee saying they would be pleased to hear him. All the engineers including Mr. Olmsted favored local disposal methods in preference to a trunk sewer that would carry rain sewage into New York Bay.

Mr. Olmsted said that he had been associated with Engineer Herring in making the survey for the proposed trunk sewer for the Passaic valley, and for that reason was more familiar with the situation here than perhaps any other engineer in the country. He said that while identified with the trunk sewer in that way, he did not favor that plan for that city as it would be far more expensive than a local disposal system, even if no opposition was met with from New York State. Besides being expensive it was not an up-to-date way of attacking the problem, for the reason that it would empty a large quantity of very bad sewage into good water, and for that reason would undoubtedly meet with the opposition of the authorities controlling the waters of New York Bay, and possibly the federal authorities as well.

He said that a much better plan would be to construct a local disposal plant. There was plenty of land in the vicinity of Paterson on which such a plant could be advantageously located, the sewage to be conducted to the plant by means of an intercepting sewer. Of course at this time it would be impossible to state positively what kind of a disposal system would be best adapted to the city, a survey and considerable investigation being necessary before this could be decided. He would say off-hand that his knowledge of the situation led him to believe that a septic tank system would be the best. By this system the millions of gallons of sewage of this city would be turned into the river in the shape of a clear and inoffensive effluent, thus not diminishing the amount of water in the river. In speaking of the local system of sewer, in which both house drainage and storm water were carried to the river, he said that it would be necessary to change it into a separate system, as flood gates could be constructed which, in times of heavy rainfall would allow the contents of the sewers to empty into the river, its condition then being so diluted as to be inoffensive. When asked what his price for the work desired by the committee would be he placed his figure at \$10,000.

Mr. Olmsted should not be understood as condemning the Passaic valley trunk sewer plan as an engineering project. His objections to it are of another character. In the first place he does not believe that consent can ever be obtained to carry the untreated sewage into the bay, and secondly he does not think it wise to deplete the Passaic River of water such as a scheme like the trunk sewer would do. He has had experience with the septic tank system in the South and found it successful.

Proctor's Theatre.

So successful and so pleasing to the children was the one given last week, that another special Santa Claus matinee will be given this afternoon in Proctor's Park Place Theatre, Newark. More than five hundred boys and girls accepted the invitation to go upon the stage at the close of the afternoon performance last Saturday. To each child a present was given, no one being overlooked. At the second of these matinees to-day the manager will do the same thing, but the gifts which he will distribute will be of an entirely different kind from those which he gave last week. He expects to make one thousand or more presents this week. Parents need have no fear of allowing their children to go alone to the matinee, as the management in all the Proctor theatres makes a feature of providing comfort and safety for children and women, while the performances are at all times absolutely clean.

Union Missionary Meeting.

A union meeting of the First Presbyterian and Westminster Presbyterian churches was held in the Sunday-school room of the former edifice Wednesday night. Rev. Charles A. Killie, a missionary of the Presbyterian board at Peking-fu, China, gave an illustrated lecture on the "Scum of Peking." Mr. Killie was one of the committee of six entrusted with the plan for defending the British Legation during the siege.

Canal Abandonment.

Conditions under which the Morris Canal should be abandoned were discussed by the New Jersey Civic Federation at the Free Public Library Saturday night. The sentiment of the members of the organization was expressed in the adoption of the following resolutions:

"Whereas, From the charter of the Morris Canal and Banking Company it appears that the corporation has by its own act forfeited the rights and privileges granted to it by that charter; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we favor such action by the attorney-general or by the Legislature, or both, if need be, as will in view of the specific condition in the charter protect the interests of the State in the determining and settlement of this question.

"Resolved, That the State should compel the Morris Canal and Banking Company to adopt one of two alternatives: Either that it should carry out the conditions of the charter and operate the canal to the end of its corporate life, or, if it finds the operation burdensome, it should anticipate the time at which the property should revert to the State in the same way as it would be obliged to do in 1924.

"Resolved, That if the uses of the canal as a waterway be abandoned, the following principles be observed: First, that the reversion of New Jersey be not sold. Second, that no rights be sold. The purpose of the acquisition of such rights having failed, they should revert to the original owners, and the present high-water levels of the lakes should be maintained. Third, if the canal bed be used for railroad purposes, the permission for such use should be treated as a new franchise, to be limited in duration and to be adequately taxed. Fourth, that the rights of the State in the tidewater properties be conserved for the benefit of the State.

Portland Parker, Sr., who is much interested in the problem of perpetuating the waterway or conserving the State and individual rights in case of its abandonment, was the principal speaker. He urged the preparation of a bill to be presented to the next session of the Legislature, and said:

"This bill should provide that the Governor shall call at once on the attorney-general to institute proceedings against the Morris Canal and Banking Company and the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company with the object of forcing an abandonment of the waterway, securing the property to the State, and protecting it as a highway to those districts it would benefit.

"The Lehigh Valley Railroad Company, lessee of the canal, has deliberately and for purely selfish purposes allowed the waterway to become in a sorry state of disrepair. The whole reason for the leasing of the canal by this corporation was to make more profit by not using it. Who are these people? Are they residents of New Jersey? No. They are a Pennsylvania corporation, with no right in our own State to do anything like this. What is the situation of a foreign corporation in this State? It is simply subject to the will of New Jersey. We have the power of exclusion, and an act of the Legislature can at once destroy the powers of this Pennsylvania corporation.

"The law as it now stands is sufficient. The State gave the right under which the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company has control of this waterway, and the State can vacate that right. This is the simple remedy."

Mr. Parker's views were heartily endorsed and reinforced by other speakers, who advanced additional reasons to show that any legislation at this time ceding to the owners of the canal property the right to abandon it for the purpose of navigation and still use it would be futile. Under the charter, it was maintained, the property should, without interruption, either than an act of God or natural disturbance, be operated as a waterway until 1924, when the State might exercise a right of purchase.

Others who took a prominent part in the discussion were Frederick W. Kelsey, Rev. Adolph Roeder, George S. Richardson and Joseph Goodrich.

Taken Ill on Trolley Car.

Mrs. James H. Humphrey of Parsippany was taken suddenly ill in a west-bound Caldwell trolley car on Tuesday night. She was on her way to Caldwell, where she expected to meet her husband. At Bloomfield Centre the conductor of the car shut a window with each force that the pane was broken. Then Mrs. Humphrey fainted. She was taken into the store of Harry G. Weeks, where she was attended by Dr. William H. White, and then removed to her home in a coach.

Musical Instruction.

Miss Grace Willocks will resume instructions on the piano September 11th. Residence and studio, 57 Orchard street. Arrangements can be made now.—Advt.

TOWN TOPICS.

FREE LECTURES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

First Presbyterian Church Guild Course Entertainment Will Soon be Announced—Volunteer Firemen's Demand for Compensation—Local Political Matters.

The free lectures given in Liberty Street School Hall, under the auspices of the Board of Education, are proving popular. "The Electric Current; Its Properties and Some of Its Uses," was the subject of the lecture given last Friday night. Perhaps no element among material forces has done so much in so short a time for industrial progress as electricity, and still presents such a field of unlimited possibilities for the future. Dr. Van Orsdoff, after illustrating certain fundamental principles of the science, introduced many experiments of a practical nature, among which were the construction of the high-low lamp, cutting wood by means of a platinum wire charged with electricity, the demagnetization of metal, and the explosion of a mine by means of an electric current. The lecturer handled his subject in a masterly manner, and his audience felt many times repaid for braving the sudden cold wave in order to attend. The next lecture will be given Friday, January 19, when Edgar Judeon Ebbels, the well-known elocutionist, will give readings from "Puckwick."

The delay in announcing the balance of six entertainments in the First Presbyterian Guild course is due, it is understood, to difficulty experienced in securing lecturers and other entertainers for Monday nights. Monday night has become to be regarded as Guild night, and the large number of people who attend the entertainments have reserved certain Monday nights for the Guild in the arrangement of their social and other engagements for the winter season, and the entertainment committee is loath to make a departure from the long-established Monday night, but may of necessity be compelled to do so. The dates for the remaining entertainments will be announced shortly after New Year Day at the latest.

The members of the Town Council for 1906 held a conference in the Town Clerk's office on Thursday night and talked over matters pertaining to the coming year's administration of public affairs, appointments to offices, and the needs of several departments in the matter of appropriations. The conference talk was of a confidential character, and whatever action was decided upon will not be officially announced until January 1. There are many rumors current as to likely action in regard to certain matters, but none of them have the official stamp.

One of the most important matters deserving the attention of the Board of Trade at the present time is the Morris canal abandonment bill to be introduced in the Legislature. Bloomfield has a large interest in this measure, and a resident of the town is a member of the Legislature, and as such will be called to vote upon the bill. Assemblyman Charles E. Underwood is anxious to get as full and correct information as possible about how the people of this town feel towards the canal abandonment project, and the Board of Trade is a proper medium for the expression of public opinion on the subject. The subject is of more than passing importance, and should be taken up by the Board as early as possible.

At the regular meeting of the Young Men's Republican Club Thursday night a preference was expressed in favor of Lathrop Anderson for chairman of the Essex County Republican Committee. The vote was about three to one in favor of Mr. Anderson. The Young Men's Club up to Thursday night steered clear of taking any side officially in the struggle for chairmanship of the county committee, but a declaration was bound to come sooner or later, and coming as it did on the eve of the election for county committee chairman, it gave the local members of the county committee an indication of the sentiment of the young Republicans of the party.

Masonic Election.

Bloomfield Lodge, F. and A. M., elected these officers Wednesday night: Worshipful master, Jesse C. Green; senior warden, Ernest Barker; junior warden, Henry Parkhill; treasurer, Frederick J. Ogden; secretary, George W. Chadman; proxy to grand lodge, Frederick B. Fitch. The lodge will hold a special meeting Wednesday night.

Free Lectures.

Free lectures are being delivered each Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in Ward Memorial Hall, Belleville avenue, Newark, to which Bible students and religious inquirers are invited. Subject for December 18, "How to get right with God from Christ's point of view." This will be especially instructive following the late revival meetings.